



Media Information

Columbus Division of Police

2021

Major Crimes Bureau / Homicide Unit

Date: Update: Sept. 10,

Elaine R. Bryant, Chief of Police

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Type of Offense/Incident: Shooting - Homicide

Date: September 6, 2021 Time: 10:14pm

Location of Offense/Incident: 2100 block of Haviland Drive

Zone: 2

Precinct: 13

Incident Report #: 210675015

Cruiser District: 132

Victim: Donnie R. Ferguson

Sex: Male

Race: Black

Age: 43

Victim:

Sex:

Race:

Age:

Victim:

Sex:

Race:

Age:

Suspect: Brandon Lee Smith

Address: 4553 Fairgrove Rd., Columbus, OH

☐ Arrested

☒ Warrant on File

Sex: Male

Race: Black

Age: 32

Charges: Murder

Suspect:

Address:

☐ Arrested

☐ Warrant on File

Sex:

Race:

Age:

Charges:

Incident Summary: ****Update September 10, 2021, The suspect in Homicide 2021-0143 has been identified as Brandon Lee Smith M/B/32. A warrant for murder has been filed for his arrest. Anyone with information as to his whereabouts should call the Columbus Division of Police.****

Update September 7, 2021: The victim of this homicide has been identified as Mr. Donnie R. Ferguson M/B/43. Next of Kin notification has been made.

On September 6, 2021, Patrol Officers responded to the 2100 block of Haviland Drive on a shooting. Upon arrival, Officers located a male black victim suffering from multiple gunshot wounds. The victim was transported to a local area Hospital by CFD Medic 15 in critical condition. Despite receiving life-saving medical treatment, the victim succumbed to his injuries. Initial information indicates that the victim was in a confrontation earlier in the evening that may have led to this shooting.

Anyone with information regarding this incident, is asked to call the Columbus Police Homicide Unit at (614) 645-4730 or Central Ohio Crime Stoppers at (614) 461-TIPS (8477).

This is the 143rd homicide in Columbus Ohio in Calendar Year 2021. Incident #210675015. Detective Smith is the lead detective on the case and is being assisted by Detective O'Connor.

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